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March 28, 1959

Dear Senator Dirksen:

We've just paid our income tax. We're a married couple; both of us have to work full-time in order to meet the high cost of living and pay our \$800 income tax as well as high rent, food, insurance, and other expenses. Frankly, we think that you ought to mix with the common people more, and eat beans two or three times a week without any meat. We can't pay for steaks--like your colleagues who get so much more salary.

Please take up the cudgels for us; we're the common people; as Lincoln said, God must love us-he made so many of us. Please join us, cut the tax on low-income people and raise it on those getting over \$20,000 per year. Yours truly,

P.S.: Eat a plate of beans; after eating them, see if you can keep still.

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The President
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and your fellow-citizens by the hundreds of thousands, by sending letters-to-editors to newspapers and publications.

Subservient to the dollar

Sir,—Yesterday was Thanksgiving (November 25), a holiday for most Americans, and today this writer would continue, this time giving thanks to the people of your country. They, too, suffer Pentagonisation, just as we in the U.S. do,

The world-wide inflation, largely due to the "non-war" in Vietnam, has, in the 1960s alone, cut the value of the U.S. dollar by no less than 24 per cent, and that of New Zealand, by no less than 31 per cent.

Is it any wonder that peace demonstrators in your country on November 6 supported those in the U.S. clamouring for "Vietnam, Out Now!"

However, it is a source of curiosity to this writer that on October 25 your Government's delegation at the United Nations voted with the U.S. against admitting the People's Republic of China as a member.

Let us hope that future votes in the UN will find your delegation, not subservient to the dollar, but oriented towards what will help the peoples of the world. — ALBERT BOFMAN (Chicago).

Dec. 2, 1971 Letters to the Editor Christchurch Star Christchurch, New Zealand

Why the bombing?

CHICAGO—Like other opinion makers, the writer of your Aug. 10 editorial "Must this bombing continue?" asks why the bombing of Cambodia must continue until Aug. 15. He does not mention the obvious answer—to continue to the last minute the profits of the beneficiaries of the munitions industry. That is why the last pound of flesh is extracted not only from the "enemy" in Indochina but from the taxpayers in the United States who do not have investments in munitions and who now can hardly buy beef. Albert Bofman

Aug. 15, 1973 Voice of the People Chicago Tribune Chicago, Ill., 60611

Oust Nixon

A great day is coming. Impeach "President Nixon and roll back unconscionable prices. For example, at Jewel's chain grocery stores this week, the 46 ounce can (V-8 Cocktail Vegetable Juice, Campbell Soup Company brand), previously 44c, was increased to 55c. Merely twenty-five per cent up!

Before the high price-niks out-price and deprive us of the possibility of buying even the cheaper foods, every taxpayer, every purchaser of foods, every victim of the Nixon-ian inflationists can do his duty

immediately.

Write, telegraph, or phone his representative and two senators in Washington, D.C. Make it the historic, "Impeach, roll back, and emergency, anti-inflation excess profits tax for 1973" crusade.

ALBERT BOFMAN

Nov. 11, 1973 Southtown Economist

Percy's reform

Let UN do it

The Pentagon 'tantrum''-ists are demanding another \$8.2 billion (\$30 more per man, woman, and child) in addition to \$80 billion (\$380 per person) for the "Defense Department" appropriation or "protection" money; and taxpayers can wonder whether your soothsayer, the noted Chicago psychic, is a Pentagon "oracle."

She (Irene Hughes) predicts more news of Soviet attempts to gain control of world trade by actions near the Suez and Panama canals, but she says naught of USA attempts, for example, in the Mediterranean sea and Indian ocean.

Wouldn't it be simplier to have the United Nations empowered to set up a World Resources Allocation authority, then decrease the armed navies of the major powers, and use the hundreds of billions of dollars that could be saved in the 1970s to improve living conditions for all peoples of the world?

No reader need voice his protests, not to his or her legislators. They are stationed at high salaries to "protect" each reader's interests—in Washington, D.C.

ALBERT BOFMAN

April 21, 1974 Southtown Economist

Incredible-or peanuts?

CHICAGO—Sen. John McClellan's proposal for a mere \$5.1 billion [hardly \$24 per person] cut in the "defense" budget has been termed incredible by the V. F. W. commander, but this writer's reaction is that it is/just peanuts.

That cut will not confirm the U. S. A. as a second-class world power, as feared by the commander. If the cut were larger, as much as the \$15 billion to \$25 billion some suggest, such a cut would curtail inflation. Such a curtailment of inflation would improve the now rapidly declining economic strength of the

Military Spending Exports Inflation

Editor! Is it possible that inflation can be reduced by ridding the economy of inflationary biases such as excessive government spending for social purposes, as suggested by ex-President Nixon's price controler, C. Jackson Grayson?

The most inflationary pressure, originating and repeated in the USA, is world-wide and national "gangsterment" (usually parading as defense) spending. The role of the \$82 billion (almost \$400 per person) Defense department appropriation for fiscal year 1975 has been to export inflation more devastating than the supposed Soviet-bloc threats.

Particularly has this been the case since 1965; then President Johnson was confronted with a USA economic system on the downgrade, sliding into recession; and this trend he reversed by escalating war in Vietnam.

Ostensibly, he did this as one among other vain attempts of the USA to police the world, without the mutual consent of its nations and peoples.

Now, one can wonder whether anti-inflation proposals all of which fail to mention the emphatic role of the "gang-sterment" spending, cover up guilt feelings about personal investments from which their backers profit in "defense" industries.

Will this cover-up succeed any more than the Watergate cover-up?

> -Albert Bofman 2337 W. 67th St.

Oct. 17, 1974 Southwest News-Herald There seems to be no armistree Senator, Percy's attempts to get publicity.

This writer just saw yesterday's (Veterans' day) news report and is now sending a copy of this letter requesting the Senator to send several copies of his bill "to reform" the USA Congress budget process. That "reform" will be by extending the period in which "procrastinating" congressmen will be able to dilly-dally, that is to delay making decisions. That, "dilly-dallying," is what happened when, in 1954, President Eisenhower's legislation extended the March 15 income tax deadline to April 15. "Procrastinating" taxpayers had another month in which to delay.

This writer is particularly interested in Senator Percy's explanatory materials about the "cost of tax loopholes" in his bill; is requesting such as well as several eopies of the Defense department reports and Senate Armed Services committee hearings and reports on bombing Cambodia and Laos in President Nixon's underclared and unknown war of 1969 into early 1970.

Over 203, 648 USA military airplane sorties hurled over 825,000 tons of bombs in man secret project. What a "loophole" that was for bomb production profiteers! and only six (of our 535) representatives and senators knew about it! Among those six were Rep. Ford, now being groomed for selection as vice president; Rep. Arends. who declined; and Sen. Stennis, whom Pres. Nixon would have to summarize the Watergate tapes. As Rep. Michael Harrington, Dem., Mass., has stated: "That they would allow official misstatements about the bombing go unanswered is another sorry measure of the depth to which secrecy has driven us. and stands as an affront to every member of Congress from whom the truth was hidden."

So, will we get a vice president who can maintain silence about a blacked-out war? and a Senator who can maintain silence about happenings his superiors don't want disclosed? or will every reader participate in an immediate protest to his representative and two senators in Washington, D.C.?

Otherwise, will it be the same old baloney?

ALBERT BOFMAN

Jan. 6, 1974 Southtown Economist United States.

It is that decline, yet continuing, that has raised the price of gold, cut the value of the dollar, and emphasized what even previously was the inability of the United States to police the world.

Albert Bofman

Sept. 3, 1974 Chicago Tribune

TO THE EDITOR:

HALLELUJAH! Will inflation be turned down now? Is that behind President Ford's pardon to ex-President Nixon for any offenses committed in the Watergate affair?

Mr. Nixon had admitted them as his "mistakes," and by this pardon his appointee successor, President Ford, may be initiating a precedent of compassion for any future President accused of the commission of crime. Or will President Ford pardon all prisoners, abolish the penal system, and thereby cut governmental expenditures as an onslaught against inflation?

Let the pundits and columnists now conjecture and express their contrasting views. Meanwhile, we can protest to, and guide, our congressmen to cut ex-President Nixon's pension and other funds, not to mention to reduce rising prices for foods.

Albert Bofman

Sept. 15, 1974 To the Editor Lerner Newspapers Chicago, Ill., 60626

By Albert Bofman:

Peace and Militarization (1950, 83pp., \$1.50). A decade later in 1960, the outgoing President Eisenhower belatedly warned against the

military-industrial complex which he had served. Earlier in 1949-50, in behalf of its future victims and as an aid to future international tribunals that might judge the warmakers, Mr. Bofman, pioneering, designed a panorama of the militarization of the USA. Listing over 900 USA governmental documents, it revealed what now has become the more than \$1,500,000,000,000.00 cold war Pentagon-ruling-Washington conspiracy against USA taxpayers. This cost you over \$9,000 per person (\$36,000 per family of four). This publication yet may be secured at the now revised, inflation price of \$3.00.

Cut Salary Taxes, Not Capital Gains

Editor: What's sauce for the goose: can it serve as sauce for the gander also?

Cong. Wilbur D. Mills (D., Ark.), chairman of the House Ways and Means committee, has suggested that the capital gains tax on assets held over five years be assessed on no more than 30 per cent of the gains. At present it is limited to no more than 50 per cent of the gain, and the change would help a small number of investors, speculators as well as homeowners.

However, more millions of taxpayers could be helped if the committee would cut the tax rate on salaries and wages earned by employees working more than five years on a job.

Readers requesting Cong.
Mills or their own Congressmen to make such a change
might ask for data on the
amount of federal tax revenue
that would be lost from such
"favoritism."

Albert Bofman 2337 W. 67th St.

Aug. 29, 1974 Viewpoints of Our Readers Southwest News-Herald Chicago, Ill., 60629